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IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN be it remembered that I George Mainzer of Earl Township in the County of Lancaster in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania yeoman being old and weak of Body but sound mind memory and understanding I thank God do hereby make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner following AND first I will and allow that all my just Debts and Funeral Charges by duly paid and satisfied out of my Estate undivided. SECOND I will allow and direct that my beloved Wife Christina remain in possession of all and singular my real and personal Estate to hold use occupy and manage the same as I myself now do and to rent my Real Estate or her Attorney whom She may appoint for that purpose at her or their discretion to the best advantage of my Heirs, Thus do I will and allow to my said wife Christina all my Personal Estate and the usufruit rents and profits of my real Estate hereinafter to be mentioned for and during her Natural life only on this Condition that she pay all Taxes and bears all expenses of keeping my real Estate in repair, without a Charge to my estate, being well assured that she will manage so as to benefit my Children and after the Death of my said wife Christina I hereby impower and authorize my Executors hereinafter names to sell and convey either at public or private sale all my real Estate consisting of a House and Lot of Ground situate on the public road commonly called HORSE SHOE road in or near the Village of New Holland adjoining Lands of Frederick Seeger Esquire George Hareggy and others in Township and County aforesd. AND also all and singular my Plantation and Tract of Land situate in the Township and County aforesaid adjoining Lands of John Brubaker, Jonathan Roland and others and Containing one Hundred and Twenty four acres (be the same ore or less) for the best and highest price they can get and for that purpose I hereby invest them and each of them with full Power and authority to sign seal and acknowledge a Title Deed or Title Deeds in fee for the same to the purchasor or purchasers thereof in like manner and to like Effect as I myself nowmight or could do and I further authorize my Exors or any of them to convey to the Purchaser of my said Plantation a right and Title in Fee forever to the Waggon-road now open and leading through my Lot belonging to the said House on the Horse shoe road - to the said road of the same Breadth as the same is now open - and also to grant and convey to the Purchasor of the said House and Lot a right to the same road as far as the Stable build on the same Lot for the purpose to hall Hay to and Dung from the said stable with liberty of Ingrefs egrefs and regrefs unto at and from the same forever - all according to the true intent and meaning hereof. PROVIDED neverthelefs that the Purchaser or holder of the said House and Lot doth not at any time obstruct the pafsage of the said Waggon road or unnecefsarily or unreasonably detain thereat to the manifest Hindrance of the same pafsage to the Plantation from the said Public road - AND therefore I desire and Will that my Exrs making such grant or Conveyance cause this my directions inserted in the Deed or Deeds to the end and Intent that the same may at all times be understood observed and kept forever hereafter. And I will and allow that the neat proceeds of the Personal Estate which my wife may leave after her death and the neat proceeds of all my real Estate on a Sale thereof be equally divided to and amongst my Children hereinafter named (except such of them as hereinafter will be otherwise directed) Share and Share alike, that is to say, to my Son John, George, Conrad Christina the wife of Jacob Wolf, Jacob, Michael and Simon each an equal part and Share AND WHEREAS my Son John is by the act of God rendered incapable to act for himself I desire and Will that my Executors take charge of his share and apply the yearly Interest growing out thereof towards his maintenance on keeping and when the said John becomes old inform and cannot work anymore that then he shall be supported out of the Principal Sum by any of my Sons who may incline to take him in Charge and in order the better to secure that part and share my Executors may at their discretion charge my Lands with that share. And I will give and allow all that